



NASA Prize for Top Rocket Teams

Participate in the NASA Student Launch Initiative

In search of answers as old as humanity as well as new ones, NASA encourages students' exploration of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics by partnering with both Team America Rocketry Challenge (TARC) and Rockets for Schools.

NASA invites qualifying teams of the TARC and Rockets for Schools competitions to continue their journey by participating in the 2009–2010 NASA Student Launch Initiative. NASA Marshall Space Flight Center (MSFC), a leader in revolutionary space propulsion research, has partnered with the Aerospace Industries Association, National Association of Rocketry, and Rockets for Schools to offer the following projects:

Educator Workshop

One adult educator or mentor from each of the top 20 teams in the TARC competition and the top three level 2 teams in the Rockets for Schools competition will be invited to a NASA Student Launch Initiative Workshop July 8–12, 2009, in Huntsville, AL, or August 24–28, 2009, in Logan, Utah. Attendees will participate in informative workshops on student rocketry and payload development with NASA scientists and engineers and tour research and development facilities.

Student Launch Initiative

Teams sending an educator or mentor to the Educator Workshop will be eligible to submit a proposal to participate in the 2009–2010 NASA Student Launch Initiative. The top teams will be selected to partner with NASA to design, build, test, and launch a reusable vehicle carrying a science payload to an altitude of 5,280 feet (1,609 meters) above ground level. Each team will receive a minimum grant of \$2,500.

For more information on the NASA Student Launch Initiative visit:
<http://education.msfc.nasa.gov/sli>

For more information about the NASA education program visit:
<http://www.nasa.gov/education>

For more information on Rockets for Schools visit:
<http://www.rockets4schools.org>

For more information on Team America Rocketry Challenge visit:
<http://www.rocketcontest.org>

